

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the Missouri Police Chiefs Association, which is celebrating the resplendent occasion of its Fiftieth Anniversary in 2003; and

Whereas, incorporated in 1953, the Missouri Police Chiefs Association was founded to obtain closer working relationships among law enforcement professionals in Missouri and to set high professional standards for all law enforcement professionals; and

Whereas, the Missouri Police Chiefs Association was the driving force in establishing standards for law enforcement training to ensure professional law enforcement service to the citizenry of the Show-Me State; and

Whereas, one of the first approved training providers in Missouri that has provided more than 26,000 hours of training to local law enforcement and local law enforcement executives in the last three years, the Missouri Police Chiefs Association offers a wide variety of services to the law enforcement community, including leadership school, management studies for law enforcement agencies, assessment centers for hiring and promoting law enforcement officers, entry-level testing, oral boards, legislative representation, communication networks, law enforcement agency state certification, video web-based training, regional training, five training conferences, state and federal legislative updates, and assistance in grant writing and locating grant opportunities; and

Whereas, the Missouri Police Chiefs Association works under the guide that the law enforcement profession must be a dedicated effort from the one-person department to the 1,300-person department, East to West, North to South, and rural to urban, and firmly believes that each citizen, no matter where he chooses to reside, deserves professional law enforcement services and the unwavering commitment of the Association; and

Whereas, the Missouri Police Chiefs Association currently represents 700 members statewide and remains committed to enhancing the professionalism of the law enforcement community through training, information sharing, mentoring, and reinforcing the meaning of the oath of office:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and best wishes to all those dedicated individuals affiliated with the Missouri Police Chiefs Association upon this very special anniversary event; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the Missouri Police Chiefs Association.

Offered by Speaker Catherine L. Hanaway
District No. 87

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2309, adopted April 29, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker